These first days have been great. I am enjoying your children, and they are adjusting well. Here is some more helpful information:

- Please make sure your child keeps a two-pocket folder in his or her backpack <u>everyday</u> to carry papers to and from school. Please initial in the box on the behavior chart each night in their folder. Your child will know why they are on the color they colored in their folder.
- The students will bring their spelling words home on Monday and sentences on Tuesday. We discuss all words and rules before they bring a study list home.
- Share time will start later in the year and will be on Fridays. Share time is a time that each student may share an item of interest with the class. One item per child, preferably not always toys. Photos, books, items with special meaning to your child, souvenirs, etc. are all good choices. Sometimes I tell what the topic will be, such as; a fall item, something that represents our state, favorite animal, etc.
- Our class goes to the library on Wednesday.
- Book reports start in October.
- P.E. days are on Tuesday and Thursday. Wear appropriate shoes.
- Grades In second grade your child will receive a grade in math, reading, spelling and English. When papers come home, those with percentages on them have been put into the grade book. Those with the number missed were practice papers and were not put in the grade book. I encourage you to go over the problems missed with your child, so they will understand for the next day. Sometimes, I will write on the paper to please correct and return the next day.
- This year in second grade try to make it the <u>responsibility of your child</u> to put his work in their folder, and books in his/her backpack when they are done with their work each night. Do not wait until bedtime or in the morning. Things will be forgotten.
- When going through your child's folder and papers, sit down with your child and go through the papers together. Have <u>your child</u> throw papers away they do not need, that way the blame of missing papers is not on you. And when you see those great papers, make sure you tell your child how wonderful they are!

Attached is our weekly memo that explains what we will be working on next week.